Funds to Himachal Pradesh for education

400. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated to Himachal Pradesh for education during the last five years, district-wise;

(b) the criteria followed by Government for release of such funds;

(c) the details of various education schemes of Government in the State; and

(d) the monitoring mechanism in place for effective implementation of such schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) State-wise budget allocations are not made under the schemes administered by the Department. Grants are released to State Government keeping in view the proposals received from them, availability of resources and progress of utilization of funds earlier released under each scheme.

(c) and (d) Various schemes/programmes are under implementation in different States. The details are available in the Annual Reports of the Ministry for the different years. The Planning Commission has introduced a system of Quarterly Performance Review of the physical and financial progress of plan schemes/Programmes. Besides, a Monthly Report on status of implementation of schemes has been prescribed for quarterly/ half yearly review at appropriate levels. A Management Information System has been introduced at district level for monitoring of the District Primary Education Programme. Moreover, an "Area Officers Schemes" has been introduced under which officers are required to visit their allotted States for monitoring implementation of various schemes.

Objective of National Assessment and Accreditation Council

401. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the objective and purpose of the National Assessment and Accreditation Council; and